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Some are out of town and some on the golf links, which proves to be quite a pleasant pastime. The Country Golf Club has a membership of a hundred, and one can rarely find finer links or more beautiful scenery, and, for that matter, some fine players. Mr. J. C. Rodgers, superintendent of the railroad, is quite an enthusiast. Mr. Bonner Buzbee, Dr. G. Moore, Will Williams, are about the best players. The ladies enjoy the sport as well as the men and make some excellent drives. The tennis court at the club will soon be in good order for the tennis lovers.

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